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Support and System

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

## HONORABLE SIR:

Responsive to the official communication of December 30, 2005, Applicants have filed an RCE and in connection therewith hereby submit the following Preliminary Amendment and Remarks. It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this document. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account 08-3460.